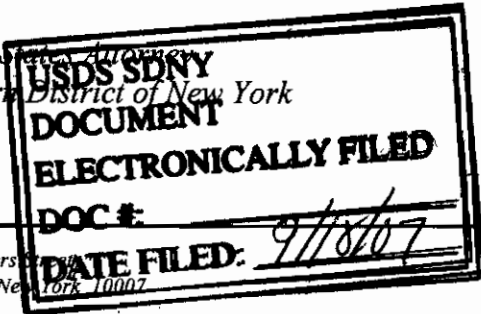
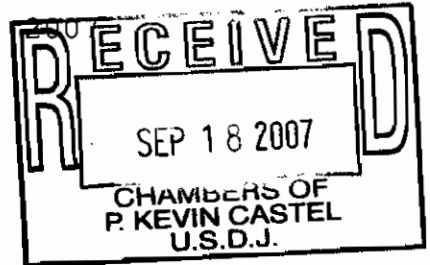


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**MEMO ENDORSED**By Hand To Chambers
 Honorable P. Kevin Castel  
 United States District Judge  
 United States District Court  
 500 Pearl Street, Room 2260  
 New York, New York 10007

 Re: City of New York v. U.S. Dep't of Justice  
 07 Civ. 2240 (PKC)

Dear Judge Castel:

I am the Assistant United States Attorney ("AUSA") handling the above-referenced matter on behalf of the defendant United States Department of Justice while AUSA Danielle Gentin Stock is on maternity leave. I write respectfully pursuant to this Court's June 6, 2007 memo endorsement directing this Office to provide a status report regarding this Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") lawsuit as of September 14.

As an initial matter, I apologize to the Court for not sending this letter by September 14. The delay was inadvertent, and I regret any inconvenience to the Court.

Regarding the status of this matter, after consulting with plaintiff's counsel, I write to advise the Court that the parties continue to believe that they will be able to resolve this matter without the need for Court intervention. Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that the Court maintain this matter on its suspense calendar for an additional thirty days. I also respectfully propose that this Office advise the Court of the status of this case on or before October 15, 2007.

*Updated Status due on or before  
October 15, 2007.*

*SO ORDERED.*

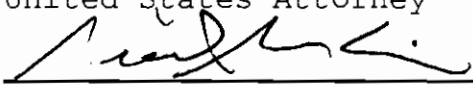
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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

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